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Alma L. Chazez
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1945
Education: Sophie Newcomb 1967 BA; Tulane 1969 JD
Began Service: September 18, 1984
Term Expires: September 2016

Academic: Professor, Tulane University (1974-1975)

Clerkships: Law Clerk, Louisiana Civil District Court (1969-1970); Law Clerk, Louisiana Court of Appeals, Fourth Circuit (1970-1973)

Legal Practice: Sole Practitioner (1972-1980)

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Louis Moore, Jr.
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1947
Education: Southern U A&M 1969 BA, 1972 JD
Began Service: May 1985
Term Expires: 2009

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Cynthia L. Warren** (504) 589-7625
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Joseph C. Wilkinson, Jr.
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1955
Education: LSU 1976 BA; Tulane 1980 JD
Began Service: March 27, 1995
Term Expires: March 27, 2011

Academic: Assistant Professor of Law, Law School, Tulane University

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Morey L. Sear, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana (1980-1982)

Government: Attorney/Administrative Assistant, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana (1994-1995)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1982-1993)

Current Memberships: The Thomas More - Loyola Law School American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Federal Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; New Orleans Bar Association

Staff

Secretary **Marilyn Mosley** (504) 589-7630

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Sally Shushan
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: February 1, 1999
Term Expires: 2015

Staff

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Karen Wells Roby
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1961
Education: Xavier (LA) 1983; Tulane 1987 JD
Began Service: February 1999
Term Expires: February 2015

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable Bernette Johnson, Civil District Court, Orleans Parish Division I

Judicial: Judge Pro Tempore, Civil District Court, Orleans Parish Division I

Legal Practice: Deutsch, Kerrigan (1993-1998); Vial, Hamilton, Koch & Knox (1998-1999)

Current Memberships: Federal Bar Association; Federal Magistrate Judges Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; New Orleans Bar Association

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Daniel E. Knowles III
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: August 29, 1953
Education: LSU 1975 BA; LSU (Alexandria) 1978 JD
Began Service: January 6, 2003
Term Expires: January 5, 2011

Legal Practice: Partner, Burke & Mayer, PLC (1982-2003)

Staff

Career Law Clerk **Jaime C. Waters** (504) 589-7575
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Jerry A. Brown
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1932
Education: Murray State U 1954 BA;
Tulane 1959 LLB
Began Service: August 27, 1992
Term Expires: August 26, 2020
Political Affiliation: Republican

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John Minor Wisdom, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1959-1960)

Legal Practice: Partner, Monroe & Lemann (1963-1990); Special Partner, Bronfin & Heller (1991-1992)

Military Service: United States Army (1954-1956)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Bar Association of the Fifth Federal Circuit; Kentucky Bar Association; Louisiana State Bar Association; New Orleans Bar Association

Staff

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Elizabeth W. Wagner
Bankruptcy Judge

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Number of Judgeships: 3

Number of Vacancies: 1

Areas Covered: Parishes of Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Helena, West Baton Rouge and West Feliciana

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Ralph E. Tyson
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: 1948
Education: LSU 1970 BA, 1973 JD
Began Service: August 10, 1998
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Adjunct Professor of Moot Court II, Paul M. Hebert Law Center (1989-1991); Instructor of Criminal Law and Administration of Criminal Justice, Department of Sociology, Southern University and A&M College (1989-1998)

Government: Special Counsel then Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Louisiana State Department of Justice; Assistant District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, Parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana (1976-1979); Chief City Prosecutor, Office of the Parish Attorney, Office of the Mayor/President and the Metropolitan Council, City of Baton Rouge and East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana

Judicial: Judge, Baton Rouge City Court (1988-1993); Judge, 19th Judicial District Court for East Baton Rouge Parish

Legal Practice: Partner, Pitcher & Tyson, Attorney's at Law (1973-1978); Partner, Pitcher, Tyson, Avery & Cunningham, Attorney's at Law (1978-1983); Partner, Tyson, Avery & Cunningham, Attorney's at Law (1983-1988)

Military Service: United States Army (1970-1978)

Current Memberships: Baton Rouge Bar Association; Louis A. Martinet Legal Society; Louisiana State Bar Association; National Bar Association

Staff

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